

To whom it may concern:

The recent announcement that Sinclair Broadcasting will force their affiliates to run what is essentially an extended political advertisement would be unacceptable at any time. But Sinclair moves on, pushing "Stolen Honor," an attack on John Kerry that they claim is a documentary, onto the public airwaves just days before a hotly contested election. This action is beyond unacceptable--it is a clear abuse of power, and a vicious attack on our democracy.

Because Sinclair uses the public airwaves free of charge, it is obligated by law to serve the public interest. In forcing its stations--which reach millions of people across the country--to broadcast "Stolen Honor," it is not serving the public interest in any way, shape, or form. This issue goes beyond politics; no matter which side of the political debate one sides with, Sinclair's actions show utter disregard for the letter and the spirit of the law.

It is in the best interest of all Americans, and our shared values, for the FCC to force Sinclair to comply with the law. Sinclair must stop using their incredible media presence for their own ideological and personal gain, both now and in the future.

Thank you very much for your time.